

**MEXICO MISSOURI MESSAGE.**

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Speaker Champ Clark is opposed to conscription.

We must feed the Allies so they can go on with the war, or we may have to do the fighting ourselves.

Conscript all the loafers and the dudes. Put 'em in khaki at once. Harness the drones. Everybody get busy.

The proposition for an instrumental musical department in the Mexico schools is receiving favorable comment.

There are those here and there over the country who wanted the war but now that we have it they don't want to fight it.

Welcome to C. L. Padgett of St. Charles who comes to Mexico to open a business college. He is a live wire, a booster. Welcome, Mr. Padgett.

Wesley Winn of this county has sold about 12,000 pounds of wool this spring. And he got fifty cents a pound. That's good money made quick.

Four thousand big tractor plows owned in Kansas are to be equipped with searchlights—so that the plows may be used day and night to increase cultivation to meet the national food crisis and thus to help win the war.

Enough grain wasted in the making of beer and whisky in this country annually to feed 12,000,000 people that period of time. Cut out the waste. Why should there be a moment's hesitation? Let the Congress get busy.

Miss Mary Barks, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Barks of Mexico, gave one of three concert numbers at a recent entertainment given the Kirkwood Country Club near St. Louis. Miss Barks is a very accomplished musician.

J. T. Johnson sold two wagon loads of wool in Mexico last week for \$2,126.60. Ah, the fellow who has the stuff to sell in these days gets the mon. On the other hand, if he has to buy it takes the mon, too.

Mrs. John W. Harris and son, Elmer Harris, have moved to Mexico from Wellsville. Elmer is with the Pierce Oil Company. The Message is glad to welcome these good people to our city. They formerly lived at Laddonia.

Mayor J. F. Harrison represented Mexico at the State Food Conference held in Jefferson City Monday. The conference adopted a resolution favoring war time prohibition, to conserve grain and food stuffs.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Da Vault of Martinsburg are the proud parents of twins, a boy and a girl. Mr. Da Vault is editor of the Martinsburg Oracle. His printer's help will be all right after a while. We bow obeisance to those twins. May they thrive and grow and never weary of the cheer and help they may bring to the world.

We notice by a Prosser (Wash.) paper that Col. C. G. Baker, well remembered in Audrain county, and a certain "man of the cloth" of that city, "a British subject," got into a war argument and the said "man of the cloth" became heated and offered remarks that caused Col. Baker to land on his feet with his fists. Baker is for his country; first, last, and all the time.

**THANKS!**

I have sold my stock of hardware to Messrs. Graham, Gooch & Perkins and wish to thank all my friends for the many, many favors of the past. I will appreciate any favor extended to these gentlemen as they are worthy of your consideration.

L. ROY FERRIS.

J. R. Snook and Frank Skelly attended the District Conference at Montgomery City held recently. The trip was made in Mr. Skelly's car.

# May Sale of Rugs and Linoleums

## Brussels Rugs

Seamless, one-piece Brussels Rugs, 9x12, in floral and Oriental designs. A \$19.98 value, at

**\$14.95**

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Seamed, Mired Corners, good assortment of small Oriental designs. A \$15.00 value, at

**\$12.49**

## Matting Rugs

Seamed 9x12 size, assorted Oriental and floral designs. A \$4.00 value, at

**\$3.49**

## Velvet Rugs

Seamless Velvet Rugs, heavy close weave, in new, rich oriental and floral colorings, 9x12. A \$30 value at

**\$24.95**

## Velvet Rugs

27x54 Velvet Rugs, good assortment of Oriental patterns. A \$2.00 value at

**\$1.49**

## Axminster Rugs

Heavy seamed and seamless Axminster Rugs, in floral and Oriental designs. 9x12. A \$25.00 value, at

**\$22.49**

## Axminster Rugs

27x54 Axminster Rugs, floral and Oriental patterns. A \$2.50 value, at

**\$1.98**

## Wool and Fiber Rugs

Seamless Wool and Fibre Rugs, reversible light and dark sides in small Oriental colorings. A \$10.00 value, at

**\$7.49**

## 10c Sale of Enameled Ware

Consisting of dish pans, pudding pans, milk pans stew pans, wash basins and preserve kettles. All pieces worth up to 25c. On sale

**Monday, April 30, 10 a. m.**

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### Rug Border

24-inch hardwood filling, burlap back, in light and dark oak. A 50c value, at

**39c yd.**

Same as above in 36 inches, at

**49c yd.**

## LINOLEUMS

4-yard wide genuine cork linoleum—no paper—in a big assortment of patterns. Cover your room without a seam. A 75c value at

**65c sq. yd.**

2-yard wide genuine cork linoleum, big assortment of patterns to select from. A 70c value, at

**59c sq. yd.**

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### RUSH HILL LETTER.

Dr. and Mrs. Cornett Celebrate—The County Convention at Community Church—Delegates to Montgomery.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Cornett celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary Friday evening with a delicious supper. A number of their guests were present to assist with the celebration. Those present were: Dr. McCall and wife of Laddonia, Drs. Harrison and Rodes of Mexico, Fred Johnston and wife of Culvre, Val Erie and family, Will Doolin and wife, Luther Sims and wife, John Beagles and wife, Henry Stuart and wife, Emil Feutz and wife and J. W. Bigelow and family.

Mrs. H. C. Carnes, Mrs. H. F. Holterman and Mr. Val Erdel were elected as delegates to represent the Community Church at the convention at Montgomery City Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

The many friends of Mrs. Chester Stuart will be glad to learn she is improving in health rapidly.

Will Doolin and Floyd Peery have gone to St. Louis. Mr. Doolin will bring back a six-cylinder Vele car.

Miss Pearl Davis visited her sister, Mrs. H. F. Holterman, over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Feutz of Mexico visited homefolks here over Sunday.

Don't forget to attend the County Convention which is to be held at the Community Church May 29 and 30.

Miss Anna Erdel is spending a portion of her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Will Doolin.

Willie Cornett is the proud possessor of a brand new buggy. Now Willie and Pete can call on their girls next Sunday night with no fear of running out of gasoline and besides have an excuse of getting home in the small hours of the morning.

Oscar Erdel has invested in a new buggy. Oscar says he can go calling rain or shine now.

The latest disease now is the chickenpox. It seems to be among the children only.

### THOMPSON LETTER.

Thompson, Mo., April 23.—Thos. Brenton and family and Miss Georgie Trimble of Mexico visited Mrs. J. W. Rutter Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Pullis was at the bedside of her sister in Centralia who has been quite sick.

Rev. J. D. Greer of Mexico will preach at Liberty the fifth Sunday in this month.

E. M. Morris sold Joe Considine 20 head of stock hogs at 15 cents per pound.

J. L. Smith and family, J. E. and J. T. Beatty and families visited W. H. Dempsey and family Sunday.

There will be preaching service at Hopewell the fifth Sunday in April.

H. E. Pearl, agent for the Chevrolet automobile, has sold to the following persons: L. H. Heinlen, Turner Pullis, J. W. Pullis, A. J. Higginbotham, H. E. Pearl, Frank Cawthorn. Mr. Romjue bought a Studebaker.

### Weekly Market Letter

(Furnished by Woodson-Fennowald L. Com. Co., Nat'l Stock Yds., Ill.)

National Stock Yards, Ill., April 24.—Cattle receipts have been moderate this week but the market has been very dull and draggy, all kinds selling 10 to 15c lower than last week with the bulk of the choice steers selling 25 to 40c lower than the high time two weeks ago, while medium to good steers are 50 to 75c lower, yearling heifers and steers also 50 to 75c lower, all grades of cows and stockers and feeders 15 to 25c lower.

Bulk choice steers \$12.25 to \$12.75. Good \$11.00 to \$11.50. Medium \$9.00 to \$9.75. Fair killers \$8.50 to \$9.00.

Choice light heifers \$11.00 to \$11.50. Good \$9.25 to \$10.00. Medium \$8.25 to \$9.00. Fair \$7.50 to \$8.25. Choice cows \$10.00 to \$10.50. Good \$8.75 to \$9.50. Medium \$7.00 to \$7.75. Cutters \$6.00 to \$6.50. Canners \$5.50 to \$5.85.

Choice bulls \$9.50 to \$10.00. Good \$8.50 to \$9.25. Medium \$7.25 to \$7.85.

Hog market opened steady today, top \$15.35 for choice hogs, but market closed 15c lower. Bulk of the hogs to the packers \$15.25 to \$15.65. Butchers and shippers \$15.70 to \$15.85. Pigs \$10.00 to \$11.00. 125 to 140 pound weights \$12.25 to \$13.00.

Sheep receipts light, market steady. Wool sheep \$12.00 to \$12.50. Clipped \$10.00 to \$11.00. Wool lambs selling around \$16.10. Clipped \$13.00.

### MOLINO LETTER.

Molino, April 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Homer Fry of Perry were guests of Herod Hopkins and family Sunday.

John Cauthorn and family and Mrs. Gene Williams of Santa Fe were guests of Mrs. Nan Williams Sunday.

H. L. Weaver and daughter, Miss Leota, were Sunday guests of Edgar Martin and family.

Mrs. Vergie Ballie of Mexico spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marshall.

Ross Taylor, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Dode Barnes, has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cauthorn and son, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hendrix and Miss Daisy Glover were guests of Lee Barnes and family Sunday.

Mrs. John Heizer and daughter visited Mrs. H's parents in Santa Fe Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Carrie Lee is spending the week with relatives in St. Louis.

James Webb is very ill with cancer of the face.

Gray Wilson and family are driving a new Ford car.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Weaver spent Sunday with Will Cauthorn and sister, Miss Mary.

Mrs. Andrew Cauthorn and baby are spending the week with Mrs. Homer Fry of Perry.

### THE BOTTS SCHOOL.

The closing exercises of Botts School were held April 13th, with Miss Beulah Crawford as teacher.

About 75 patrons turned out with well-filled baskets and, when the noon hour arrived, the table looked as tho the "high cost of living" had never been given a thought.

Among those present from a distance were Dr. and Mrs. McCall and son and Mrs. Beadle from Laddonia.

All present seemed to have a keen appetite except the Doctor?! We think he was trying to set a good example.

After lunch all enjoyed a program consisting of songs, recitations and dialogues.

And well did each pupil perform his or her duty.

It being a very busy time, the program was again given at night to a well-filled house, with one enjoyable feature added, a reading by Miss Anna L. Crawford, a sister of the teacher. Amidst cheers she returned to the stage. This ended the program and the third successive term for Miss Crawford. The directors again offered her the school.

ONE PRESENT.

### CLASS ENROLLS FOR RED CROSS WORK.

An Aid branch of the Red Cross was organized at the Public Library building Monday. A large class enrolled.

Miss Cordella Ranz, Red Cross nurse and social service worker, talked of the purpose of the organization.

"The ambitions of the Red Cross is to be the most efficient, the most widely known and useful humanitarian agency in the world, the Red Cross, at home and abroad, in war and peace, always active."

The following enrolled as members of the Mexico branch:

Mrs. G. H. Whitmore, Mrs. Jennie Robyns, Mrs. Velma Fry, Mrs. Chas. Claybrook, Mrs. Charles Buckner, Mrs. George Lee, Mrs. Chas. Leeper, Mrs. Frank Sanford, Mrs. John Beal, Mrs. Frances Wilkins, Mrs. Hannah Feinstein, Mrs. Nettie Genrich, Mrs. Virginia Dearing, Mrs. Edith Preston, Misses Jane Rodgers, Addie Cunningham, Marie Forman, Gertrude Fry, Gladys Van Ness, Elizabeth Harper, Anna Williams, Pearl Morris, Ruth Cauthorn, Avis Botts, Mary Hildebrand, Frances Gupton, Morna Wilson, Majorie Comstock, Willie Johnson, Mildred Johnson, Willie Robnett, Wilhelmine Taylor, Clara Haggard, Mary Steppelman, and Carolyn Worrell.

### CHAMP CHINKS.

Corn planting has commenced in earnest.

Fred Leibengood planted 17 bushels of potatoes.

P. T. Harris and family visited James Sneed and Rev. H. I. Cobb last Sunday.

James Thomas, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John and Mary Vinsant was buried at Beaver Dam Monday afternoon.

### WANT ITEMS.

FOR SALE—S. C. Rhode Island Red Eggs, for hatching, \$1.00 per 15. RAY DILLARD, Mexico, Mo.

For Sale.—A fine good harness horse. Address W. W. Cornett, Laddonia, Mo.

Avery Tractor Plow Demonstration. Friday, at one o'clock p. m., April 20, on the Will Kennedy farm, three miles southeast of Rush Hill. Come and see us plow. Will also pay 40c a hundred for scrap iron delivered soon. Cash it while you can.

PETE ERDEL, JR.

FOR SALE—A gentle driving horse, harness and phaeton at a bargain. Mrs. Mark Pilcher, Pramenade street, Mexico, Mo.

Property for Sale.—22 acres of land just northeast of Laddonia, 16 acres adjoining the town and a house and lot in town, all belonging to the Beal heirs, will soon be offered for sale. It will be sold to the highest bidder. If you have a bid for a part or the whole of the property, address John Beal, Mexico, Mo.

FOR SALE—Lot 7, Block 6, in Fairview Place. Lot facing Omar Ave., the most important street in the Place. Price \$60. A bargain offer. Address The Mexico Message.

noon. Rev. H. I. Cobb conducted the service.

Fred Roberts was buying hogs in this vicinity last Monday. He was paying 15c.

Plum and cherry trees are in bloom but the peaches failed to bloom.

The annual procession of wagon beggars is on the road again. They ought to be put to work. We are not with Mr. Wilson a little bit in this conscription business and have not heard of any that are.

BEAN CREEK LETTER.

Farmers busy and getting their ground ready for planting corn.

Mrs. John Hebel has something near 300 little chickens.

Miss Mabel Cook closed a very successful term of school at Bean Creek last Friday. Miss Mabel has been employed to teach our next term of school.

W. Spotswood spent Saturday and Sunday in Mexico visiting his father, C. H. Spotswood.

Mr. and Mrs. Dode Barnes' little three year old son is very sick, but some better at this writing.

James Ellington was the guest of W. E. Byars and wife Sunday and Monday.

Frank Stuart is building a new garage.

Guy Nichols of Molino spent Saturday night with R. T. Byars and family.

Charlie Watts, Ernest Hesterburg, John Blum and Otto Hubert all motored to Louisiana Saturday afternoon.

A. H. T. A.  
Rush Hill, Mo. Meets on Monday night on or before full moon in each month. Hedgedale School House.  
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Appointments Mexico Circuit.  
Trinity—1st Sunday 11 a. m., 7 p. m.  
Bethel—2nd Sunday 11 a. m., 7 p. m.  
Groves' Chapel—2nd Sunday 3 p. m.  
Littleby—3rd Sunday 11 a. m., 7 p. m.  
Olivet—4th Sunday 11 a. m., 7 p. m.  
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